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SCHOOL AGE IMMUNIZATIONS AVAILABLE FOR UNINSURED OR UNDERINSURED

Services, Information & Resources Available

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Martin County, FL – As the school year will soon be coming to an end, the Florida Department of Health in Martin County is encouraging parents to begin planning now to ensure that their student's immunizations are up to date prior to the start of school year in August.

#680 Forms:

Proof of certain immunizations, on a #680 form (Florida Certificate of Immunization), is required for school entry if a child is entering kindergarten, seventh grade or is moving to Florida from another state or country. Additional information about immunizations is available here: http://martin.floridahealth.gov/programs-and-services/clinical-and-nutrition-services/immunizations/index.html

7th grade Tdap requirement

Students who are entering the seventh grade are required to show proof of the Tdap booster vaccine, which provides protection against tetanus, diphtheria and pertussis on the #680 form. If students have already received the Tdap booster, parents should deliver the #680 form to their child's school before August 13.

Vaccination Appointments

To avoid the back to school rush, parents should contact their child's pediatrician now to schedule an immunization appointment. The Health Department in Martin County is offering school age immunizations for children who are uninsured or underinsured. Call 772-221-4000 ext. 2242 to schedule an appointment.

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